GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
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Target Olympic Podium Scheme
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of selected sportspersons under the Target Olympic Podium (TOP) scheme in the country, State-wise including Uttar Pradesh;
(b) whether the process to include/ select sportspersons under TOP scheme is still continuing and if so, the details thereof;
(c) the allocation of funds for TOP scheme for 2016-17;
(d) whether there has been any review of the performance of the selected sportspersons under TOP scheme so far; and
(e) if so, the details and outcome thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
(SHRI VIJAY GOEL)
(a): A total of about 200 sportspersons were selected under Target Olympic Podium (TOP) Scheme for providing assistance to them for their participation in Olympic / Paralympic Games, 2016 / 2020. The Department of Sports does not maintain State-wise data of athletes.
(b): Selection of sportspersons under TOP Scheme is an ongoing process. The same is done based on the recommendation of the TOP Identification Committee, presently chaired by former Olympian Ms. Anju Bobby George.
(c): There is no specific budgetary allocation for Target Olympic Podium (TOP) Scheme.
(d) & (e): Yes, review of performance of athletes has taken place and about 45 athletes were taken out of Target Olympic Podium (TOP) Scheme before Olympics/ Paralympics 2016.
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